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DEVELOPMENT OF LIVESTOCK
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have formulated any scheme for the development of livestock breeding specially for the Cow, Buffalow, Goat, Sheep and Rabbit in the rural areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Bhagalpur district of Bihar has also been included in this scheme;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the time by which said scheme is likely to be introduced in the said district?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a):
(i) Yes Sir. A National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding (NPCBB) is being implemented by the Department since 2000-2001.

(ii) The Scheme for conservation of threatened breeds of Sheep, Goat and Rabbit are under pipeline for 10th Plan.

(b): The NPCBB Scheme aims at thoroughly restructuring the cattle and buffalo breeding infrastructure in the country in two phases spanning 10 years. The major objectives of the scheme are providing good quality breeding inputs at the farmers` doorstep, institutional restructuring for greater efficiency, conservation of indigenous breeds as well as human resource development.

(c)to(e):
(i) The NPCBB Scheme is envisaged to cover whole of the country including Bhagalpur district of Bihar.The State will have to formulate a proposal in conformity with the guidelines of the Scheme. The position has been reviewed in the Department in the month of February, 2002 and the State has been requested to submit a revised proposal which is awaited.

(ii) The Scheme for Sheep, goat and Rabbit is yet to be finalised.